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SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

March 2, 1993 HRB, State Capitol 8:30 a.m. Salem, OR

Tapes 40-43

Regional Strategies Program Changes Economic Development Department
Overview of Public Works/Community Development Programs Safe Drinking
Water Fund Wastewater Treatment Fund

MEMBERS PRESENT: SEN. JOYCE COHEN, CHAIR SEN. STAN BUNN SEN.
SHIRLEY GOLD SEN. JEANNETTE HAMBY SEN. BILL KENNEMER SEN. JOHN LIM SEN.
CATHERINE WEBBER

MEMBERS EXCUSED: SEN. BILL BRADBURY, PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE SEN.
PEG JOLIN

STAFF PRESENT: JOSEPH CORTRIGHT, EXECUTIVE OFFICER JERI CHASE,
OFFICE MANAGER

WITNESSES: JON JAQUA, INTERIM DIRECTOR, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT JOAN RUTLEDGE, ACTING MANAGER, REGIONAL STRATEGIES PROGRAM,
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT KEN ENGLING, GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION
SYSTEMS MARY PEARMINE, MARION COUNTY COMMISSIONER RAY TEASLEY, ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, MID WILLAMETTE VALLEY DISTRICT JERRY GARDNER,
DIRECTOR, MARION-POLK-YAMHILL REGIONAL STRATEGY/OSU EXTENSION SERVICES
YVONNE ADDINGTON, MANAGER, SPECIAL PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAMS, ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT DAVE LELAND, MANAGER, DRINKING WATER PROGRAM,
HEALTH DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES MARTIN LORING, MANAGER,
WASTEWATER FINANCE SECTION, WATER QUALITY DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY JONI LOW, LEAGUE OF OREGON CITIES WALTER TRANDUM,
MAYOR, CITY OF WHEELER GENE SEIBEL, TUALATIN VALLEY WATER DISTRICT ANNE
SQUIRE, GOVERNOR'S POLICY ADVISOR FOR NATURAL RESOURCES KEVIN SMITH,
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE MARTHA PAGEL, DIRECTOR, WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
ERIC EAST, MANAGER OF PUBLIC TRANSIT, OREGON DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION

NOTE: These minutes contain materials which paraphrases and/or
summarizes statements made during this meeting. Only text enclosed in
quotation marks reports a speaker's exact words. For complete contents
of the proceedings, please refer to the tapes.

TAPE 40, SIDE A

000 CHAIR COHEN: Convenes meeting at 8:35 a.m.

Regional Strategies Program Informational Meeting SB 124 (Regional
Strategies Program Changes) - Public Hearing

SB 124, Staff Measure Summary on SB 124, and Fiscal Impact Statement on SB 124 submitted as EXHIBITS A, B, and C.

013 JON JAQUA: Begins regional strategies overview.

017 JOAN RUTLEDGE: Overviews next biennium's plan for regional strategies.

050 CHAIR COHEN: I thought that we were going to mandate that the strategies would be tied to the benchmarks?

052 RUTLEDGE: We have created a sample strategy to show regions how they would tie their strategy to benchmarks and this is included in the bill.

055 RUTLEDGE: Continues overview.

115 CHAIR COHEN: In the past, because of agreements relating to the Oregon Convention Center, Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington Counties were "excluded" from other Regional Strategies participation. Is there any such prohibition for the future program?

120 RUTLEDGE: We would recommend that the Portland metropolitan area continue to be excluded this biennium (as done by budget note in 199 1-93).

133 JAQUA: There is Westside Light Rail funding (at \$15 million) that was taken into consideration of this.

135 CHAIR COHEN: I am concerned about this exemption from Regional Strategies.

137 JAQUA: This was a decision made by the last Legislative Assembly and our proposal was consistent with previous direction.

144 SEN. HAMBY: Has there been any effort to address pockets of poverty and high unemployment rates with the Regional Strategies program?

155 CHAIR COHEN: How do these new regional configurations take this issue into account?

148 RUTLEDGE: We would hope to have regions analyze their economies, particularly severely affected communities and consider that in development of their projects.

SEN. HAMBY: I hope this is a primary focus.

170 SEN. LIM: Why is there a requested additional \$500,000 in administrative costs?

174 RUTLEDGE: We see increased administrative costs to get the program started. Also, costs are built in for random audits. Those costs would be one-time, start-up costs only.

Continued discussion about administrative costs and other issues.

280 SEN. HAMBY: Overviews map (oversized) posted that identifies pockets of poverty and high employment rates.

305 KEN ENGLING: Describes map.

400 SEN. HAMBY: I would be interested in knowing how Regional Strategies might significantly focus on these extreme problem areas.

410 CHAIR COHEN: Perhaps there could be a tie-in to a benchmark for reducing unemployment and poverty.

422 JOAN RUTLEDGE: Funds are distributed on percentage basis: 60 percent based on population, 20 percent based on unemployment, and 20 percent based on the wage levels of the area.

435 SEN. HAMBY: Why use population at all as a baseline? Should we be doing it this way?

444 RUTLEDGE: These are partnerships between counties.

464 JAQUA: One problem with the Enterprise Zone program has been changes in economic conditions. This is a six year plan to bring about economic viability.

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043 MARY PEARMINE: Testifies in support of SB 124.

Committee discussion.

250 JERRY GARDNER: Presents "Mid-Willamette Valley Marketing Grant Program" (EXHIBIT D).

Economic Development Department Overview of Public Works/Community Development Programs SB 123 - Wastewater System Improvement Fund - Public Hearing SB 126 - Safe Drinking Water Fund - Public Hearing

430 YVONNE ADDINGTON: Begins presentation on public works programs. Submits SPWF Bond Bank Financial Summary of Infrastructure Projects (EXHIBIT F), Fitch Research Paper on Oregon Bond Bank (EXHIBIT G), and "Developing Oregon SPWF Oregon Bond Bank" (EXHIBIT E).

TAPE 40, SIDE B

030 ADDINGTON: Continues presentation of public works programs.

166 ADDINGTON: Overviews Governor's Budget proposals.

191 Committee discussion.

270 DAVE LEYLAND: Begins testimony regarding Safe Drinking Water (SB 126). Submits written testimony (EXHIBIT H) and a copy of "Pipeline - Oregon Drinking Water News" (EXHIBIT I).

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055 MARTIN LORING: Testifies and submits written testimony in support of SB 123 and SB 126 (EXHIBIT J).

Committee discussion.

Economic Development Department Overview Community Facilities Program SB
125 - Community Facilities Program - Public Hearing

223 ADDINGTON: Overviews SB 125 - Community Facilities.

300 SEN. HAMBY: Why limited in rural areas?

314 JAQUA: Traditionally, we have not been able to get financing
for these facilities in rural areas.

SB 123 - Wastewater System Treatment Fund - Public Hearing SB 126 - Safe
Drinking Water Fund - Public Hearing

365 JONI LOW: Testifies in support of SB 123 and SB 126 (EXHIBIT
K).

Also submitted for the record: Letter from Alice Schlenker, Mayor of
the City of Lake Oswego, in support of SB 123 and SB 126 (EXHIBIT L).

450 WALTER TRANDUM: Testifies in support of SB 126 (EXHIBIT M).

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030 TRANDUM: Continues testimony.

094 Committee discussion.

118 GENE SEIBEL: Testifies in support of SB 126. Submits "Safety
on Tap" (EXHIBIT N).

Committee discussion.

Introduction of LC 3606-1

254 MOTION: SEN. HAMBY MOVES that LC 3606-1 (EXHIBIT N), with
further amendments - the Lottery Allocation Bill for allocations other
than workforce - be introduced as a committee bill.

257 VOTE: There being no objection, LC 3606-1 will be
introduced as a Trade Committee bill. Present for vote: SENATORS BUNN,
HAMBY, KENNEMER, LIM, WEBBER, and COHEN.

Governor's Proposed Budget Overview Community Programs/Developable Lands

260 ANNE SQUIRE: Testifies regarding the Governor's Budget
Proposals. Submits "Benchmark Proposal Developable Lands" (EXHIBIT P)
and Watershed Health Benchmark Proposal (EXHIBIT Q).

300 KEVIN SMITH: Testifies regarding wastewater/drinking water
programs (\$24.4 million).

325 SQUIRE: Testifies on "readying lands for development" (\$6.4
million).

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060 SQUIRE: Testifies on Watershed Enhancement portion of the
Governor's Budget.

068 MARTHA PAGEL: Overviews benchmark for watershed enhancement.

087 Committee discussion.

099 PAGEL: Overviews endangered species listing procedures.

131 Committee discussion.

174 SQUIRE: Continues overview of Governor's budget requests - field burning, environmental team, and state park rehabilitation.

193 SQUIRE: Overviews transportation/mobility segment of the Governor's budget request - \$20 million for Westside Light Rail commitment; \$4 million for preliminary analysis of Clackamas County light rail; \$1 million for study from Portland to Eugene corridor program; \$10 million targeted to match federal funds for upgrade work prior to the end of the biennium on the Portland Eugene corridor; \$1.4 million to match federal funds in inter-agency project on land use patterns/transportation objectives.

ERIC EAST: Testifies on specifics of funding proposal for light rail. Submits "High Speed Rail Improvement Request" (EXHIBIT R).

254 Committee discussion on light rail.

367 CHAIR COHEN: Adjourns meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Submitted by,

Jeri Chase

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

EXHIBIT A - SB 124, submitted by staff, 5 pages

EXHIBIT B - Staff Measure Summary on SB 124, submitted by staff, 3 pages

EXHIBIT C - Fiscal Impact Statement on SB 124, submitted by staff, 1 page

EXHIBIT D - "Mid-Willamette Valley Marketing Grants Program", submitted by Jerry Gardner, 12 pages

EXHIBIT E - "Developing Oregon Special Public Works Fund Oregon Bond Bank", submitted by Yvonne Addington, 36 pages

EXHIBIT F - Financial Summary of SPWF Program, submitted by Yvonne Addington, 2 pages

EXHIBIT G - "Oregon Bond Bank Review", submitted by Yvonne Addington, 4 pages

EXHIBIT H - Written Testimony in support of SB 126, submitted by Dave Leland, 9 pages

EXHIBIT I - "Pipeline - Oregon Drinking Water News", submitted by Dave Leland, 12 pages

EXHIBIT J - Written testimony in support of SB 123 and SB 126, submitted by Martin Loring, 7 pages

EXHIBIT K - Written testimony in support of SB 123 and SB 126, submitted by Joni Low, 2 pages

EXHIBIT L - Letter in support of SB 123 and 126, submitted by Alice Schlenker, 2 pages

EXHIBIT M - Written testimony in support of SB 123 and SB 126, submitted by Walter Trandum, 2 pages

EXHIBIT N - "Safety on Tap: A Strategy for Providing Safe, Dependable Drinking Water in the 1990s", submitted by Gene Seibel, 72 pages

EXHIBIT O - LC 3606-1, submitted by staff, 15 pages

EXHIBIT P - "Benchmark Proposal Developable Lands", submitted by Anne Squire, 2 pages

EXHIBIT Q - "Watershed Health Benchmark Proposal", submitted by Anne Squire, 5 pages

EXHIBIT R - "High Speed Rail Improvement Request", submitted by Eric East, 1 page